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## PY2022 Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program Planning Period and State Plan Submission

**ODOC MEMO 007** 

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**To:** ODOC Weatherization Program Service and Training Providers – Executive Directors, Program Managers, and Financial Staff

From: Amanda Marcott-Thottunkal, Senior Energy Programs Manager

**Purpose:** To inform the Oklahoma weatherization network of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce's Program Year 2022 plan development and timeline. To ask the Oklahoma weatherization network to participate in the state planning process.

- 1. Annually, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) requires that the Oklahoma Department of Commerce (ODOC) submit a State Plan that outlines the implementation of the Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) in Oklahoma, following DOE requirements<sup>1</sup>. The State Plan is a yearlong process of continuous program evaluation and policy development. ODOC encourages the Oklahoma weatherization network at all levels to participate in the State Plan development process through the following activities:
  - Submitting concerns, suggestions for improvement, or other feedback to the Senior Energy Programs Manager or any ODOC staff regarding current policies and procedures
  - Attending the new (in response to network request) PY22 State Planning Kick Off Virtual Meeting
  - Attending the WAP public hearing, asking questions and providing comments
  - Reading the drafted State Plan when available and providing input during the public comment period
  - Attending network meetings and all required trainings to stay informed of DOE requirements and regulations
- 2. Please mark your calendars and join ODOC for the following events:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Final PY22 DOE grant guidance is not yet available.

**December 7, 2021** 

9:00 – 10:30 AM PY22 Virtual WAP Planning and Subgrantee Input

**Kick Off Meeting** Review the PY22 state plan and provide input on changes the network would like to see in PY22 (before anything for PY22 is drafted).

January 4, 2022 Drafted State Plan Available to Network and

scheduled to be sent to Community Action Agency Executive Directors and Weatherization Program

Managers

January 6, 2022 Drafted State Plan Available to Public and

scheduled to be released to general public along with a formal notice of a 13 day public comment period. Notice will be sent in GovDelivery, posted on ODOC website, and in ODOC's New Pioneer newsletter.

January 6 - January 19, 2022 Public Comment Period

**January 19, 2022** 

1:30 – 2:30 PM Network State Plan Webinar to review the proposed

PY22 State Plan and any feedback or input received.

**January 19, 2022** 

1:00 PM Zoom Virtual and In Person Public Hearing

January 19, 2022

5:00 PM Public Comments Due

**February 1, 2022** Anticipated State Plan submission to DOE

3. This timeline of events does not include any discussion of PY23 or beyond which will be discussed separately.

4. Please note that should unforeseen circumstances result in a modification to any of these scheduled dates, a revised schedule will be sent. ODOC looks forward to the network's comments and feedback during the PY2022 State Planning process.

If you have any questions about this Memo, please contact the Senior Energy Programs Manager – Amanda Marcott-Thottunkal, <u>amanda.marcott-thottunkal@okcommerce.gov</u>.